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(*b*) a statement showing the names of persons appointed as District Educational Officers in the years 1927, 1928, 1929 (up to date) with their religion, race, caste, antecedents, previous service (if any), qualifications as to educational attainments and training for teaching; and

(ii) to state whether Government contemplate making any rules in connexion with the proposed reorganization of the superior services, if no such rules as referred to in clause (*a*) have been made?

A.—(i) (*a*) & (ii) The framing of rules for recruitment to the superior educational services is under the consideration of the Government.

(i) (*b*) The information can be obtained from the quarterly lists of Gazetted officers in the Educational Department.

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA :—" May I know whether the district educational officers who are at present in the department have had any training in teaching? Are there any proposals before the Government prescribing the qualifications of these men?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" Appointments are made when vacancies arise. I cannot say whether there is any porposal before the Government on these matters."

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA :—" May I enquire whether these men who have been appointed for the last three years and whose names are found in this quarterly list have all the requisite qualifications of training in teaching?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" They have been so qualified as to commend themselves to the Government."

Local Boards

Nomination of Mrs. P. R. R. Punja to the District Board of South Kanara.

* 114-A *Q.*—Mr. K. R. KARANT: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether Mrs. P. R. R. Punja who was recently nominated to the District Board of South Kanara is the niece of Mr. A. B. Shetty, M.L.C.;

(*b*) whether she was nominated to the Board when there were already 13 members of her community (viz., the Bunt community) in the Board;

(*c*) what is the total number of members in the Board;

(*d*) what are the reasons for the nomination; and

(*e*) whether her husband has subsequently been nominated to the South Kanara Temple Committee?

A.—(*a*) The hon. Member is apparently referring to Srimati Shambhavi R. Punja. Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Thirty-six excluding the President.

(*d*) It was considered desirable for obvious reasons to appoint a lady to the Board.

(*e*) No.